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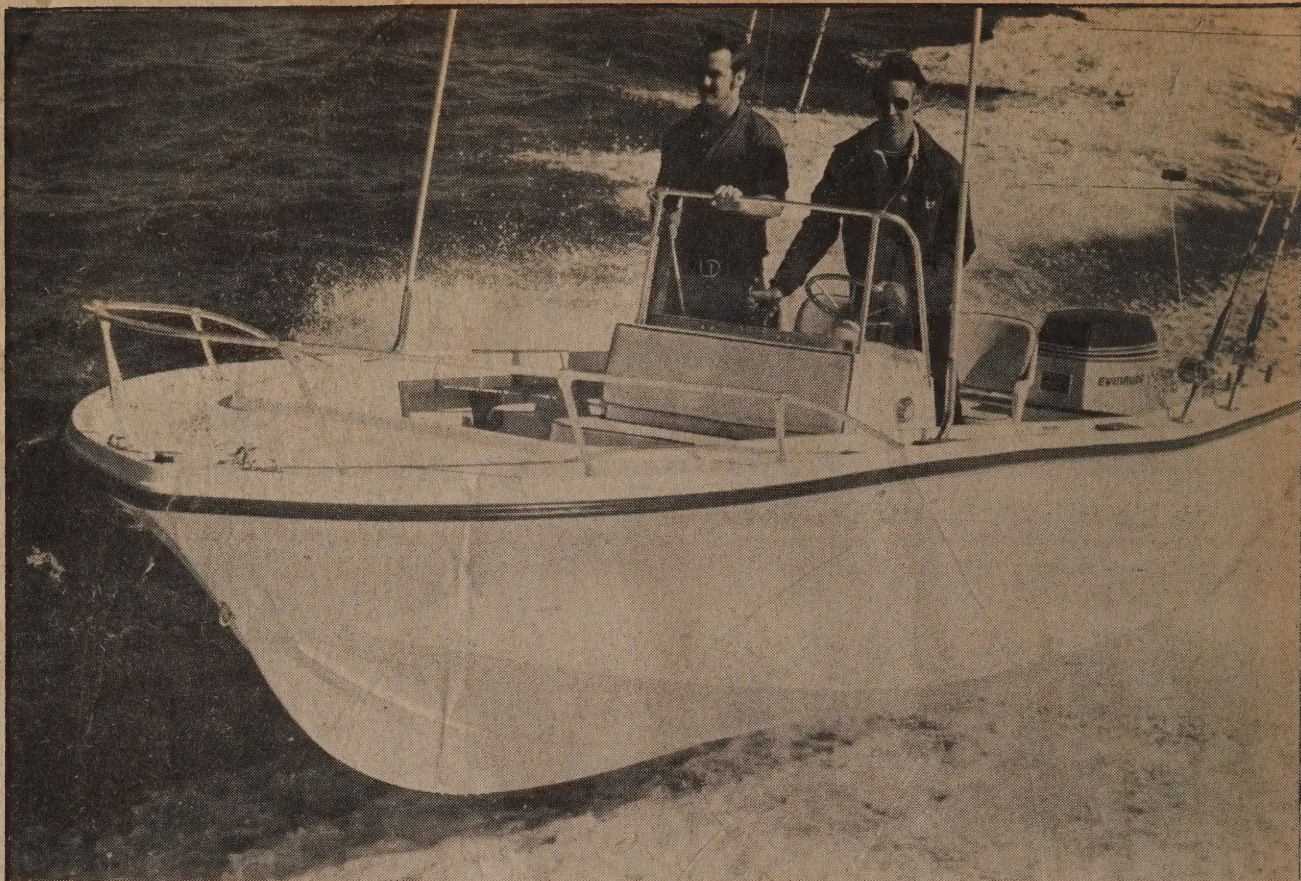
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Hopefully anglers around Long Island will begin catching bass such as these in the near future now that the weather is beginning to settle down a bit. If not, there is always flounder around.

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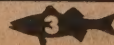


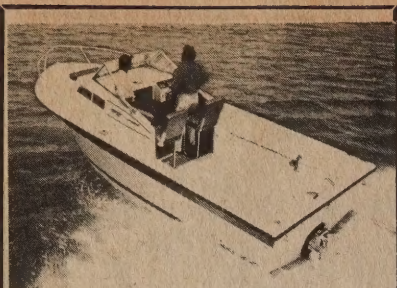
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EDITORIAL

Thank You, Homo dumis!

In a recent editorial, we were very critical of a new species of "Humans" which we dubbed **Homo dumis**. But in spite of his stupidity, he taught us a valuable lesson. Of course it was an accident, but nonetheless, we owe him our gratitude.

You see, we've been less than declarative when it came to a couple of topics that crossed our desks. We're sometimes guilty of being wishy-washy because we don't want conflict; we want solutions and don't wish to offend some very nice people we like and respect.

The publisher of this magazine has been impatient with us at times because he knew damn well it was our responsibility to "say it like it is!" However, a recent unhappy incident with a classic specimen of **Homo dumis** clarified our thinking. Oh, not at first. In the beginning, we were upset and frustrated, but then we began to realize the stupidity of our actions.

Well, we're gonna start trying to make up for that, and the buck stops here! Some of you may not like what you read. Some of you may become angry with us. What the hell, we're not in the popularity business; we're in the fishing business and we learned a long time ago that truth, however uncomfortable it may make you from time to time, is better than lies. With truth as the watchword, you can always look anybody in the eye and know that you did what was correct!

Lately, LIF has been receiving a little flack from some fishermen about our editorial policy.

According to the zealots, we are pro commercial fishermen and anti sport fishermen. Nothing could be further from the truth. We are opposed to game fish status for the striped bass now, but we are in favor of management of the striped bass. We are against game fish status because the available evidence indicates that game fish status is unnecessary for the preservation of striped bass, and because this species is a resource that rightfully belongs to all. God didn't make striped bass for sportsmen—he made striped bass for people.

But management is something different! We believe that all fisheries should be managed, just as deer, seals, otters, elk, ducks and lots of other living things are managed. In order to manage a population, one must gather facts and evidence. We don't know enough about bass to do that effectively now. Furthermore, management implies that limits on catches be exercised during times of lean and that these limits be removed in times of plenty. Also, spawning habitats must be protected and nursery grounds must be secured from exploitation. Poisons that kill or mame must be eliminated from the habitat: eggs and larvae must not be killed by toxic substances and the flesh of our food-fish must be made clean and fit to eat!

The Long Island Fisherman represents the best interests of sport fishermen. We have spent countless dollars and countless hours fighting for those interests and we will continue to do so—not because some one or some group has a desire, but rather when and if it is **right** to fight.

If we allow politicians, bureaucrats, private industry, and vested interest groups within our own tribe to divide sport fishermen, then we will not be able to pool our efforts and resources to protect our sport. If we allow ourselves to become divided over childish trivia, then the day will come when few fish will swim in our coastal oceans, there will be little or no access, and the waters will reek of the stench from sewage and chemical wastes. The choice, as it always has been, is ours—let's use it wisely and use it together!!

William A. Miller



CHUM LINES

SAVE OUR STRIPERS WANTS EQUAL TIME

The March 24th issue of LIF carried an editorial with the title, "New Human Species" by Doc Muller.

Save Our Stripers feels the editorial demands a serious response, but in fairness we ask that we be allowed equal space, with the understanding that our comments will not be edited without authorization. Naturally, you have the option of rejecting our response as you see fit.

We believe you owe your readers an opportunity to read another opinion, and we hope you will agree to our request. We estimate that piece will run somewhere between 300 and 350 words. Robert J. Rance, President, Save Our Stripers.

The request by Save Our Stripers will be granted, and their opinion will be published as an Editorial Reply. Naturally, we can't think of any possible reason we might reject their response, so it will be accepted sight unseen. Scott S.

DISAPPOINTED IN REPORT ON LICENSE MEETING

Dear Scott: It was indeed a pleasure meeting and talking with you at the Holiday Inn on the 18th. The evening's proceedings, while at times a bit "puzzling" ...were interesting and eye-opening.

In terms of the broad representation which this gathering attracted, the meeting had to be termed as successful. What impressed me the most was the solidarity of opposition of a saltwater fishing "tax," and while there was a general acceptance for the establishment of a Sportfishing Advisory Council, it was clear that there were reservations with respect to possible misuse of the Council.

However, I wish to express disappointment in The Fisherman's announcement of the results of that meeting. Shouldn't LIF readers have been informed of the degree (overwhelming), of opposition to the license concept, rather than receiving a brief mention of it on page 7? LIF has devoted far more space in editorializing on issues of far less importance and of a personal opinion nature. Fred Schwab, Levittown, N.Y.

Sorry to have puzzled you, Fred. But the whole purpose of calling the "emergency" meeting was to decide how to stop the saltwater fishing license bill from being passed. Everyone is opposed to the license concept, so why state the obvious. The Kidder Bill has been shelved. The only thing to worry about now is how to defeat NEXT year's bill, which may not be as easy to kill. Scott S.

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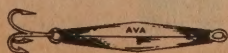
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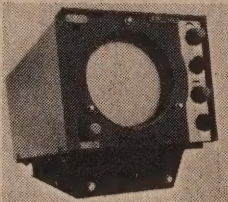
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2 lb. 9 oz. Flounder - Jack Carroll.

6 lb. 6 oz. Fluke - Dan Erb

8 lb. 0 oz. Weakfish - Craig Hutnick.

10 lb. 0 oz. Blackfish - Ralph Eorlio.

35 lb. 14 oz. Striped Bass - Tony Lemos.

295 lb. Mako Shark - Mort Shapiro.

388 Dusky Shark - Tom Messerole.

46 lb. 12 oz. White Marlin - Herman Kornahrens.

35 lb. 0 oz. Tom Avellino.

15 lb. 0 oz. Albacore - Wayne Hutnick.

27 lb. 0 oz. Cod - George Gerhold.

In the women's division, the winners were:

1 lb. 12 oz. Flounder - Julie Leeds.

3 lb. 2 oz. Weakfish - Beverly Ames.

3 lb. 9 oz. Fluke - Nancy Erb.

16 lb. 0 oz. Bluefish - Marge Schaefer.

The annual "George Combs" weakfish award for the largest fish caught in Great South Bay was won by Tom Avellino.

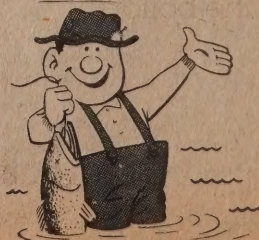
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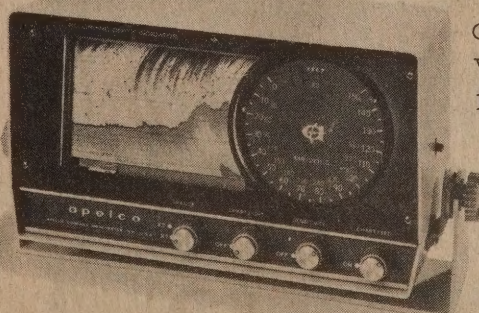
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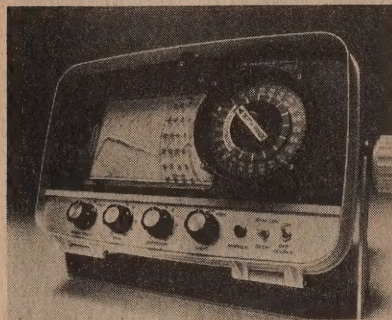


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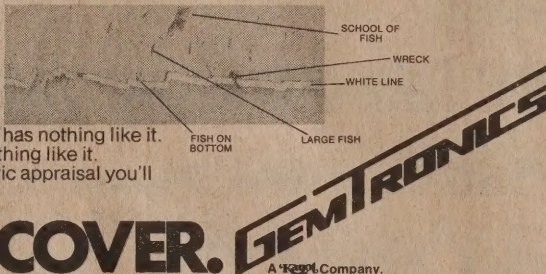
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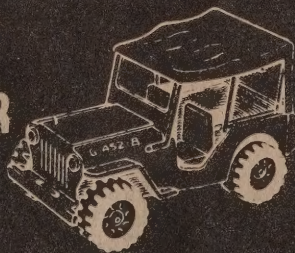
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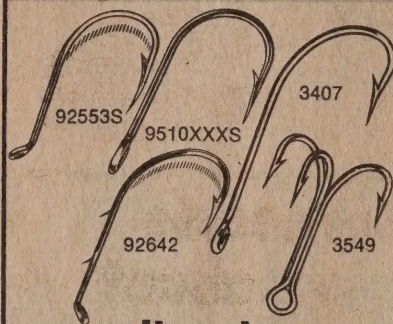
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FREE STICKER FOR NEWSPAPER

The Marine Environmental Council of Long Island announced today that a sticker calling for the stopping of ocean dumping will be given out to citizens donating 50 pounds or more of newspapers or magazines at their next monthly recycling drive. It reads, "Stop Ocean Dumping Now."

The public is asked to bring the newspapers and magazines (tied or untied), to the site where the monthly drive is held at the Pathmark Parking Field on Merrick Road in Seaford (on Massepequa border). Volunteers will unload cars from 10 A.M. to 4 P.M., on Saturday, April 16th. MECL is a citizen volunteer non-profit environmental organization dedicated to the protection of the Long Island marine waters.

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CAPTAIN'S LICENSE ACQUIRED

Hats off to Prudence Westin for successfully completing training for her Captain's license. The certificate she earned enables her to pilot a vessel up to 100 tons, and this season, from April through November, she'll be putting her knowledge to work while piloting the ferry running passengers between Sayville and Fire Island. Congratulations, Ms. Westin!

HOW TO INSTALL CB IN YOUR BOAT

More and more boat owners are installing CB radios. CB's are fun, adequate for short-distance broadcasting, and a useful backup to regular marine VHF in emergency situations.

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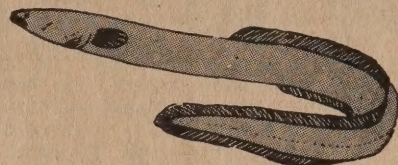
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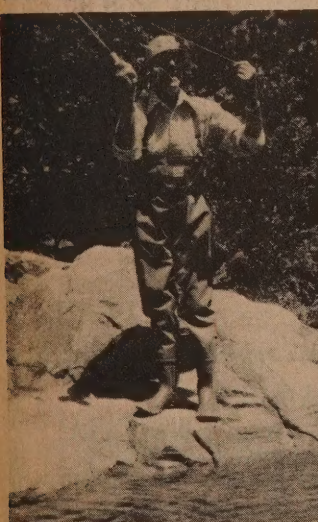
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Announcing the Formation of THE LONG ISLAND SPORTFISHING COUNCIL

On March 18, 1977, The Long Island Fisherman convened an emergency meeting of sportfishermen at the Holiday Inn in Plainview for the purpose of gathering ideas and feelings about a saltwater fishing license, so that representatives of the sportfishing community could decide for themselves what to do specifically to defeat the then-pending Kidder/Prescott Bill to establish a saltwater fishing license and what to do about similar legislation that can be expected in the future.

The banquet hall was almost filled to capacity with over 180 people attending the meeting. The representatives covered a wide spectrum of the sportfishing community, with 43 fishing clubs and organizations participating in the discussion as well as many open and charter boat captains, bait and tackle shop owners, row boat station operators, marina owners and individual fishermen.

The group was virtually unanimous in the opinion that any saltwater fishing license legislation should be opposed vehemently with a united voice from sportfishermen. As a result, it was decided unanimously by those attending the meeting that representatives of the sportfishing community would meet again to form *The Long Island Sportfishing Council*, which would be the official organization to present the views and interests of local sportfishing to the news media and government officials on matters considered to be vital to the sport, now and in the future. The last census figures showed that there were 2.3 million saltwater anglers in the New York area, an unusually large special interest group to have such minimal political influence due to the lack of any type of representative organization. It will be the primary purpose of *The Long Island Sportfishing Council* to fill this need.

The Long Island Fisherman was asked by Commissioner Peter A. Berle, Department of Environmental Conservation, and by Tony Taormina, the Department's Director of Marine and Coastal Resources, to ask members of the sportfishing community to set up an Advisory Board to the DEC to provide advice and input to any matters being considered by the Department related to the marine environment. This request was passed on at the meeting to those attending, and it was decided to take the DEC up on the offer. As there were grave reservations about the possibility of such a Sportfishing Advisory Board being manipulated into becoming a "rubber stamp" for DEC projects, the guidelines and capacity the sportfishermen would agree to "advise" under, would be one of the first tasks *The Long Island Sportfishing Council* would undertake.

The Long Island Fisherman was asked at the meeting to publish a questionnaire that anglers could fill out giving their ideas on how the Council could be set up. We agreed, but have had difficulty in deciding just how to make up such a questionnaire. So in its place, we have outlined one way the Council could be set up and ask that readers send us written comments on any new ideas, improvements on those presented, etc. The Long Island Fisherman has agreed to act as a clearing house for these ideas and to act as a coordinator to see that the Council is set up in a manner that would allow it to function most effectively. Once the Council has been set up and is functioning smoothly, The Long Island Fisherman will disassociate itself so that the Council can work without any media influence other than that desired or requested. During this set-up period, however, money will be needed for renting meeting halls, postage and mailing, printed matter, etc. In an attempt to cover these costs and get the show on the road, The Fisherman has donated two-thousand dollars for the purpose of setting up *The Long Island Sportfishing Council*. The Council will be expected to set up some system for raising money for its operating expenses for the time that this initial funding runs out.

The outline which follows only serves to establish

credentials for those who will sit on the Council. If you meet the requirements and wish to apply for a "seat," just fill out the application and mail it to The Fisherman. Those applying for such a seat and have the suggested credentials, will attend the first meeting of *The Long Island Sportfishing Council* which will be held at the Holiday Inn in Plainview (Exit 46, L.I. Expressway), on Wednesday, May 25th at 8:00 p.m. At that time, the Council will officially begin to function after the final form, goals, policies, etc., have been voted on by those attending. Meanwhile, get in those letters with your suggestions on the Council! Send them to: *The Long Island Sportfishing Council*, P. O. Box 1994, Sag Harbor, N.Y. 11963.

Application For A Seat On THE LONG ISLAND SPORTFISHING COUNCIL

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CHARTER BOAT

Name of Vessel is:

TACKLE SHOP SEAT

Name of Shop is:

BOAT LIVERY

Name of Station is:

MARINA

Name of Business is:

AT-LARGE

(See attached letter outlining my credentials.)

FISHING ORGANIZATION

(Attach a letter from either an Officer or member of the Board of Directors of your fishing club or organization that designates you as their representative on the Council.)

If my credentials are in order, I will attend the first official meeting of The Long Island Sportfishing Council on Wednesday, May 25th.

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The Long Island Sportfishing Council will consist of members of the sportfishing community who will hold a "seat" representing either a commercial enterprise or individuals belonging to a fishing club or organization. Each segment of the sportfishing community will elect a representative from their group to serve on the Council's Board of Directors.

COUNCIL SEATS

There will be seven classifications of seats on the Council. The seat classifications and the credentials needed to hold them are:

Open/Party Boat Seat

Must be either the owner and/or operator of a documented open or party boat sailing from a Long Island port. (Note: Local boatmen's organizations are also invited to hold a seat on the Council to represent their memberships' views.)

Charter Boat Seat

Must be either the licensed owner and/or operator of a charter boat sailing from a Long Island port.

Tackle Shop Seat

Must be either the owner and/or operator of an establishment whose primary business is selling bait and/or tackle to fishermen.

Boat Livery Seat

Must be either the owner and/or operator of a facility that rents boats and motors to fishermen on a daily basis.

Fishing Organization Seat

Fishing Clubs and Organizations that wish to hold a seat on the Council must designate one of their members to represent them with a seat on the Council. Such designated representative must have a letter from either the President of the Board of Directors of the club/organization to establish his/her credentials for a seat on the Council. A club/organization can change their designated representative at any time with a new letter. By definition, a fishing club or

organization is: any group consisting of twelve or more anglers that hold meetings on a regular basis and have elective offices.

Marina Seat

Must be either the owner and/or operator of an establishment whose primary business is either renting dockage, boating facilities or services, or retails boats, motors, marine electronics or boating equipment to fishermen.

At-Large Seats

At-Large seats on the Council will be held by individuals designated by the Council as capable and willing to provide a service deemed necessary to fulfill the goals of the Council. These individuals may be members of the media (fishing columnists, outdoor writers, authors, etc.) legal counsel, members of conservationist groups, tackle manufacturers, elected and appointed political officials, etc.

BOARD OF DIRECTORS

There will be ten seat-holding Council members on the Board of Directors of *The Long Island Sportfishing Council*, representing the following interests:

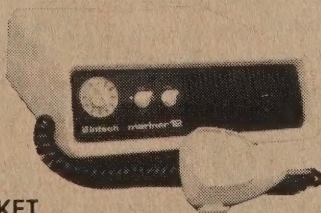
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5. Marinas
6. Fishing Clubs (12-30)
7. Fishing Clubs (Over 30)
8. Media
9. At-Large
10. Legal Counsel

Each of the seven seat classifications will have a representative on the Board of Directors that they will elect. *Example:* members holding a "Charter Boat" seat will be the only ones voting for the Charter Boat representative on the Council's Board of Directors. Fishing clubs and organizations will have two representatives on the Board of Directors: one rep for clubs with 12 to 30 active members and one rep for those with 31 or more active members. The media representative and the At-Large representative on the Board of Directors will be determined by a vote of all Council members regardless of their seat classification. The Legal Counsel representative will be voluntary, and appointed after a confirmation vote by the entire Council membership. Fisherman/lawyers that are willing to donate some of their valuable time to the Council will be greatly appreciated, as it will be necessary to have legal counsel in order for the Council to interpret laws, legislation, legal action or litigation, etc.

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ASK THE CAPTAIN

OPINIONS & ANSWERS by Capt. Ronnie Lepper

Jim Alschul, Oceanside.

I would like to repaint some of my bunker spoons. The paint peeled off parts of the spoon from hitting the bottom. Do you have any special way of painting your spoons?

Painting or spraying stainless without the use of a primer is not the best way of doing things. Regrettably, due to the excessive cost of labor and materials most manufacturers use this cheap and simple way of painting. I personally either hand-sand or better yet, sand blast all of my spoons before painting to insure a better bond. The next step is to spray them with zinc oxide keeping the spoons at room temperature and one coat is sufficient. You must lightly sand again, then spray with any good grade of white enamel in gloss. Make sure that primer is completely dry before sanding and re-spraying.

Ira Feldman, Brooklyn.

As a fisherman and LIF subscriber can you or anyone else "in the know" tell me if it is all right to use braided dacron on a spinning reel such as a Mitchell 302 or a Daiwa 4000. I hate that stretch of mono but I've never seen a surfcaster use dacron on a 10' surf stick. Can it be used?

I have never used dacron on a spinning reel nor have I seen it used. But after making a call to George Purman of Baldwin, who is considered one of the top surf fishermen at Cape Cod, I learned a few things. George tells me that some of the best and most productive fishermen up there use Cortlands Micron in 18 to 20 lb. test. They feel that this soft, fine diameter no-stretch line is just what they need for rigged eel fishing and have great success using it. Micron is also a dynamite line for conventional casting and has been used for quite a few years.

Sal Cataldo, Copiague.

How do I go about acquiring a Captain's license to operate a charter boat in the Long Island area?

There are varied qualifications on your experience along with books and pamphlets from the Coast Guard to study. My advice to you is to pick one of the competent people giving study courses on that subject as they can expertly prepare you for your exam and know exactly what you need. Their courses include six passenger, ocean operator and inland licenses. Quite a few proven and competent people advertise in the L.I. Fisherman. I am sure you can find

one close to your home. If anything, they can save you lots of time on research and studying of unnecessary material.

Gil Lilienthal, Sayville

In answer to my own question which was published in your Feb. 11th issue, re: "Memory removal" from monofilament, I've found a method by experimenting which works quite well. At least, it netted me 6 pieces of straight mono (30-40 and 50 lb. test) each 8 feet long—on a scrap piece of 1" x 2" I drove two 8D finishing nails about half way in, a little over 8 feet apart. I then tied my mono to one nail and pulled it tight to the other nail and secured it with a couple of hitches. (Tight, like a ukelele string.) I then placed this stick on a baseboard heating unit in my bedroom and let it warm up for 2 weeks. (A cellar hot water pipe should work just as well.) When I cut it loose I had 18 pieces of nice straight mono. I'm quite pleased with the results.

Howard Langeloh, Ridgewood

In the February issue #5 of The Long Island Fisherman, Gil Lilienthal asked Capt. Ronnie Lepper for a method to take the memory out of mono leaders. I have used the following method for many years and have had very good results.

Take a 3x3 inch piece of inner tube from an old tire and fold it in half. Place the leader to be straightened in the fold of the inner tube. Draw the leader through the tube while applying a moderate amount of pressure with the thumb and index finger. Usually two or three draws through will straighten the leader. If the mono has a tendency to drag on the tube a few grains of talc or corn starch on the rubber tube will ease the drag. I hope this tip will take the kinks out for you.

Frank Rudlinger, Brooklyn.

In regard to the question from Mr. Gil Lilienthal in issue number 5 about straightening out monofilament line "memory." My friends and I use the piece of rubber from the bottom of an old crutch or cane, we cut a slice into both sides of the open end, place line or leader into slot between thumb and forefingers, slide back and forth a few times and "presto" the line lost its "memory." I hope this has been of help.

Thank you for your very informative information. I'm sure that Gil and many others will appreciate your advice.

Martin Entiner, Mahopac

In regards to the answer on the dual steering problem in the Long Island Fisherman issue No. 5, Feb. 17th, Please send me the layout for dual tiller steering for I have an open wood bass boat that I put together and am not happy with the front steering. The set up I have at present works well at the rear but the front lacks the positive feel at speed and requires continuing correcting processes. Your pipe system sounds like a more positive system and I would like to have the plans and any other info you have in regards to this problem.

Your present dual steering system leaves a lot to be desired. It is most definitely not the most functional way of doing it. Your question would be almost impossible to answer thru this column, so I will send the spec's directly to your home. I feel sure that you will be very satisfied with the performance of the new system.

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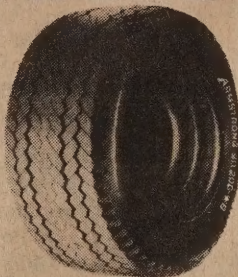
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More About Eels

Anguilla rostrata

IN CASE YOU DID NOT READ LAST week's column—Why Not? Seriously, we discussed the mysterious life history of the American eel. In short, we made known what is known and avoided any discussion about those items which are in controversy. So this week let's begin with controversy and end with facts that scientists agree upon.

THERE APPEARS TO BE TWO species of eel in Atlantic waters: The American eel *Anguilla rostrata* and the European eel *Anguilla anguilla*. I said that there appears to be because some experts have suggested from time to time that they are actually one and the same species.

FURTHERMORE SOME SCIENTISTS do not believe that the European eel ever arrives in the Sargasso Sea! These experts have suggested that only the American eel spawns and that the eggs of this species drift either to Europe or to America depending upon where the eggs are deposited in the Sargasso.

HOWEVER, THERE ARE differences between the two. The American eel has about 110 vertebrae or backbones, while the European version has almost 120 vertebrae. Yet, this is not conclusive evidence that these are two species. Cod fish vary in the number of vertebrae too, because water temperature affects the process and timing of the development of the embryo. Scientists lump all such instances into a phenomena called *Jordan's Rule* which is only one of a group of "Niche Laws" that explain such things as the variation in the color of animal fur from white in northern regions, to brown on the prairies and deserts.

HOWEVER, IN RECENT YEARS the matter seems to have been satisfactorily resolved and all of you fishermen who worried profoundly about this can finally get a good night's sleep. Scientists at Rutgers University undertook a research project in which they examined the blood chemistry of the two eels. Their findings indicate that there exists substantial differences between the two.

THUS IT WOULD SEEM that the European eel is spawning in the open ocean and that its descendents are migrating towards Europe to become the next generation of eels.

ANGUILLA ROSTRATA AND *Anguilla anguilla* belong to a restricted group of eels in the scientific group known as the *Anguilliformes*. The group

also includes the Japanese eel, *Anguilla japonica*, the Indian eel, *Phisodnopsis boro* and about a half dozen other species in the Indo-Pacific area. Some of these species migrate towards Australia, Tasmania, and New Zealand. There are three spawning areas. One in the Atlantic (Sargasso Sea), one in the north-west Pacific, and one in the south-west Pacific. Since there are no spawning areas from which ocean currents could sweep eel larva towards the west coast of the North American Continent, eels from this group are unknown to the western shores of Canada and the United States.

ALTHOUGH EELS WILL feed all throughout a 24 hour period, eels are basically night hunters. I've seen eels feeding in the quiet surf at night on spearing and sandeels. And I have seen some very, very large eels. One night I was walking in the shallows with my neck lamp on seeking out signs of bait when I caught a glimpse of something out of the corner of my eye. Instantly I swung my head and the neck light towards it. There, effortlessly cruising through a school of spearing was the biggest eel you ever saw. It was seven feet if it was an inch! You can believe me or scoff, but I'll tell you this, when I called my fishing companion over to see it, he jumped back out of the water until his wits returned.

BECAUSE EELS ARE BASICALLY night hunters commercial eelers set their pots at dusk. They return at sunrise and collect the night's haul. In Europe, the eel fishermen set out long narrow nets called weir nets in the rivers. During the night when the eels are hunting and then again when swarms of eels migrate downstream, the nets collect so many

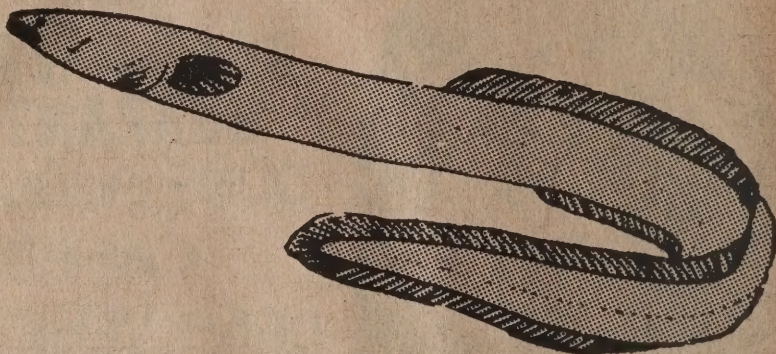
eels that these commercial fishermen often have difficulty lifting the ends of these nets into their flat bottomed boats without breaking the mesh.

EELS CAN BE TAKEN on a variety of fishing tackle but few anglers seek them out deliberately. Most fishermen consider them a pesty nuisance because they are extremely slimy and difficult to remove from the hook. The slime has glue-like properties when it dries and is extremely difficult to wash away. The eels also possess the most distinctive of odors—like horrible. When you try to take an eel off the hook the critter invariably twists around your arm gaining leverage and pulling free of the grasp of your hand.

MOST OF THE TIME IF YOU find a dyed-in-the-wool eel fisherman, he's an old-timer and more than likely of Italian-American descent. These gentlemen of the bogs and banks have refined their art to a keen state of perfection. A variety of baits work well and the fishing is at a relaxing pace.

EELS ARE A DELICACY in Europe and in Japan where they are sold in great numbers. The flesh is white and the taste is quite subtle. In the United States the demand for eels is not nearly as great as it is in Europe. Still, in coastal areas they are commonly sold smoked and they are much sought after in neighborhoods with a high percentage of European immigrants during holiday and feast periods. Eels are good eating whether they are fried, broiled, baked, smoked or pickled.

LAST BUT NOT least, let's not forget the value of eels as bait. They are in much demand by striped fanatic and at times when there's a run of good fish, eels may become very scarce.



FISHERMAN TIPS BY FRED GUARDINEER

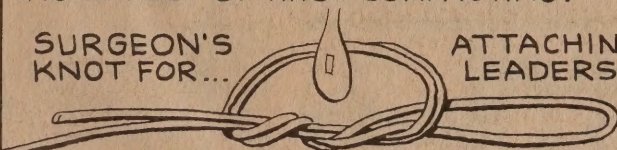
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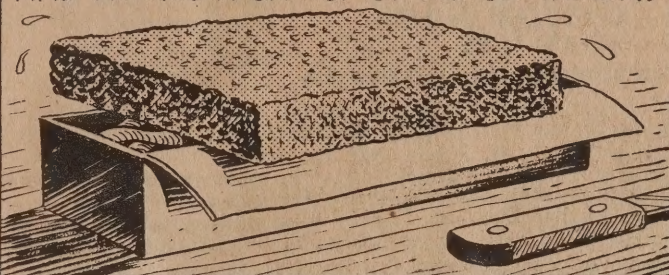
YOU CAN ADD ABOUT 15 PERCENT TO THE STRENGTH OF ANY KNOT MERELY BY WETTING THE KNOT WITH SALIVA BEFORE DRAWING IT TIGHT. SALIVA LUBRICATES AND REDUCES THE FRACTURING EFFECT OF KNOT COMPACTING.

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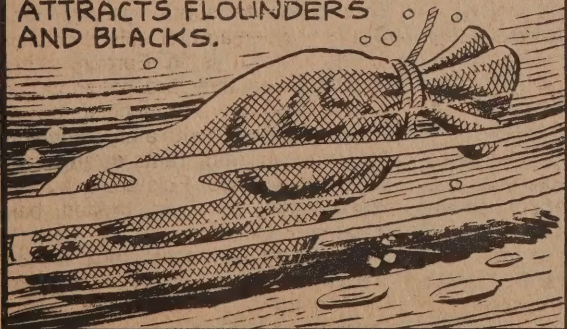
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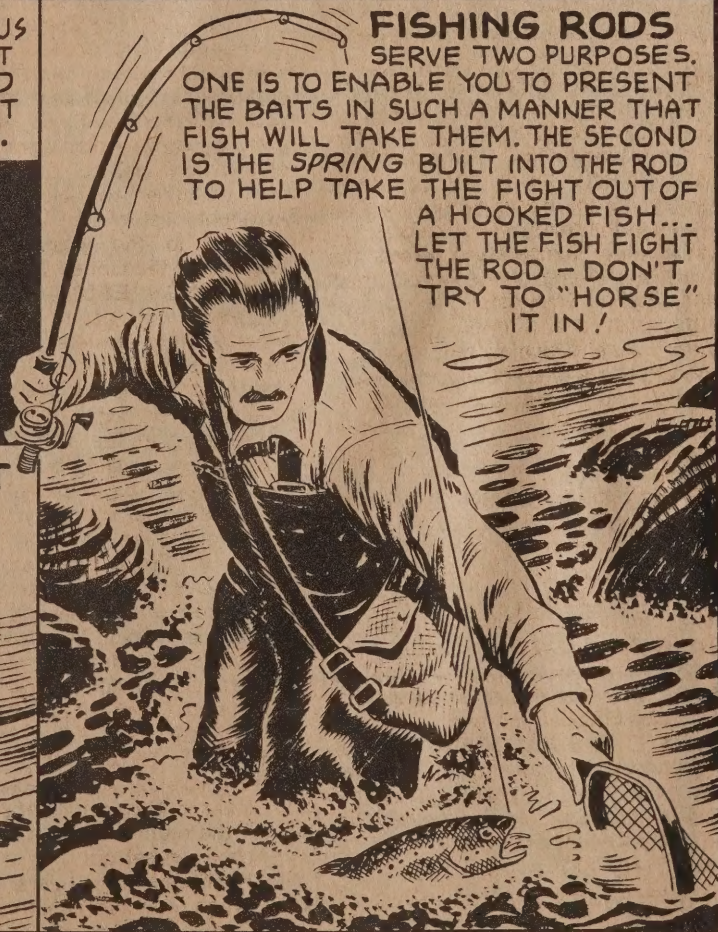


THERE IS NO BETTER SALT WATER CHUMPOT THAN AN OLD ONION BAG FILLED WITH CRACKED MUSSELS OR CLAMS. WEIGH THE SACK AND LOWER OVER THE SIDE. ATTRACTS FLOUNDERS AND BLACKS.



FISHING RODS

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For making the bag itself, I purchased some poster board (oak tag) and made a cardboard "bag" from pattern (Fig. 6). You don't have to cut this in one piece; you can make this from small pieces and scotch tape them together to make the pattern. Note that you must add $\frac{1}{2}$ " of material to 8 edges as shown. These little flaps are for sewing purposes. The material I used was "Herculite," which is a fiberglass reinforced material. If you took a scrap piece approximately 6" square and cut a slit in the center large enough to put your two index fingers, you can't tear it no matter how hard you try. The material is very light in weight, comes in various colors and it doesn't absorb water. I purchased my material from

Surf Side



with
Bob Krauss

CUSTOM MADE SURF BAG PART TWO

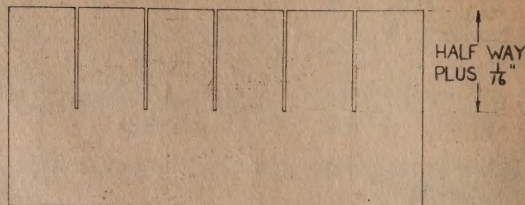
Bayshore Auto and Marine Upholstery, 94-B Saxon Avenue, Bayshore, L.I. (south side of Sunrise Highway). The owner is Joel Brienza who is very knowledgeable and willing to help. He was previously employed at Gruman, making all sorts of cases and bags for the Apollo project. After purchasing the material (one piece,

36" x approximately 54" wide), I cut the material at home and assembled the screened grommets and tubular rivets in their appropriate places. I then took the finished liner, the cut pieces of material, and the Velcro strip fastener back to Joe Brienza who then sewed the bag up, complete with edging and corner beading. He really does a very professional job. He charges \$10 to sew the bag and he supplies the edging and corner beading. The material for the bag costs approximately \$6.00 extra. Of course, if you have a heavy duty sewing machine and a little patience, you can save the \$10.

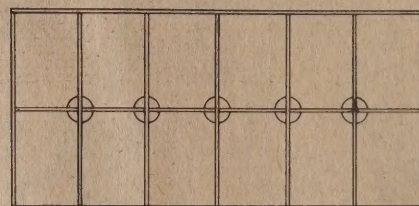
You may have noticed that on the Bill of Material that it calls for 12" of Velcro fastener and we only used 10" for the pocket. The left over 2" can be made into two each 1" squares and be sewn on the bag to hold the corners of the cover flap down. This should be sewn on before the bag is sewn up.

The next step is to assemble the twist lock fastener, being careful to position it so no strain is necessary to close the flap

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TO ACCEPT PARTITIONS SNUGLY



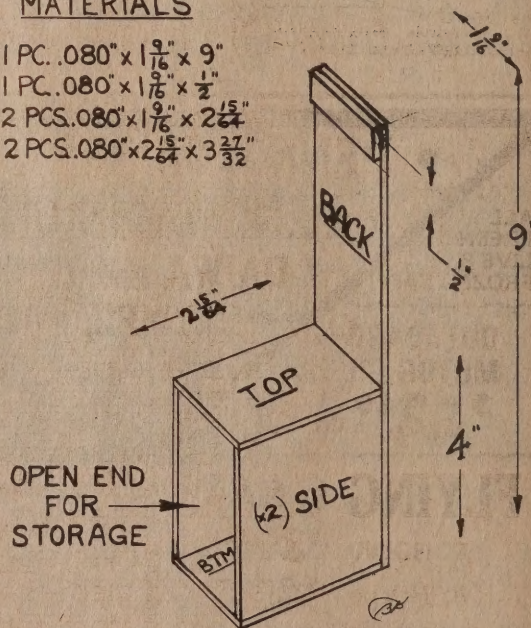
LONG CENTER DIVIDER



LINER
(TOP VIEW)

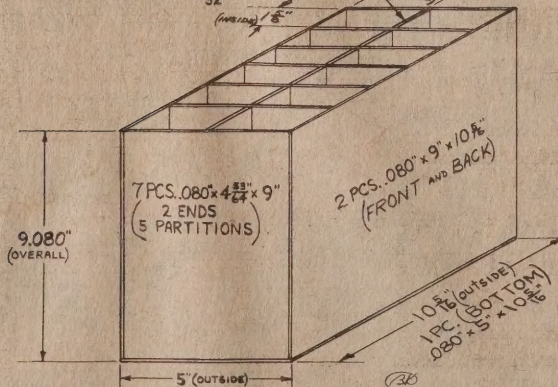
MATERIALS

- 1 PC. .080" x $1\frac{9}{16}$ " x 9"
- 1 PC. .080" x $1\frac{1}{8}$ " x $\frac{1}{2}$ "
- 2 PCS. .080" x $1\frac{9}{16}$ " x $2\frac{25}{64}$ "
- 2 PCS. .080" x $2\frac{15}{64}$ " x $3\frac{27}{32}$ "

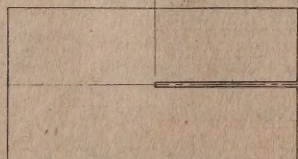


INSERT

1 PC. LONG CENTER DIVIDER
.080" x 9" x $10\frac{5}{8}$ "



HALF WAY
PLUS $\frac{1}{16}$ "



TO ACCEPT
CENTER DIVIDER
SNUGLY

PARTITIONS (x5) NOTE: 2 ENDS DON'T GET
SLOTTED.

FIG. 2

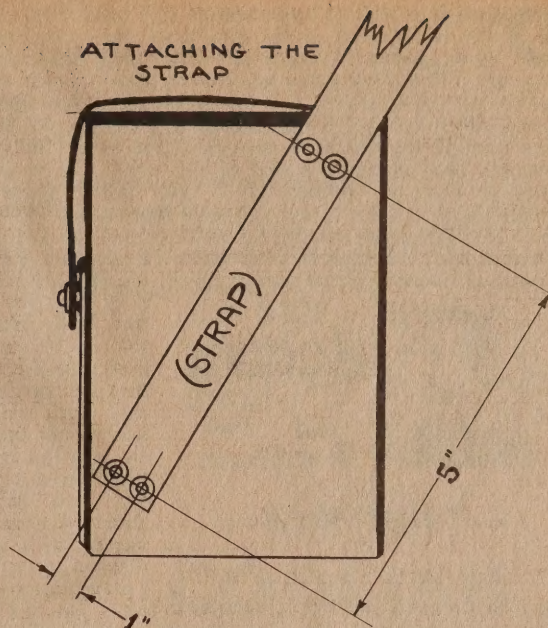
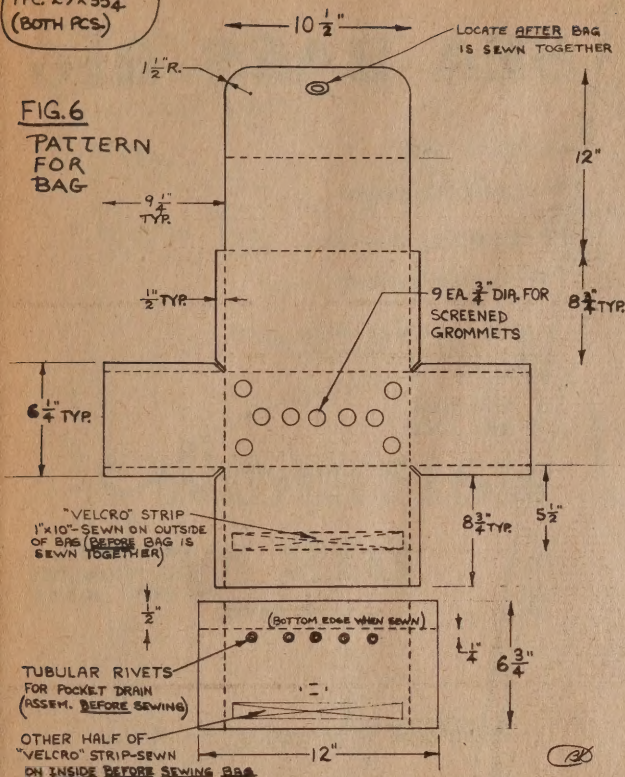
in order to fasten the catch. Remember to use the two backup pieces of plastic as stated in the Bill of Materials.

The last step to complete the bag is to mount the shoulder strap. In order to mount the strap correctly so it will be as comfortable as possible, you will need someone to help you to mark the location of the strap. You should hold the bag flat up against your left side, at a height that will be comfortable and convenient enough so that you may remove the lures with ease. Also make sure that the strap will be long enough so that it will easily allow you to don and remove the bag when you have heavy clothing on in cold weather. Now have someone

1 PC. 29"x35³/₄"
(BOTH PCS.)

FIG. 6

PATTERN
FOR
BAG



place the strap on your right shoulder and bring the ends of the strap to the sides of the bag. You will notice that the strap will be mounted at an angle, not straight up and down. Trace the outline of strap onto the sides of the bag to get the correct angle for your build and also mark the correct length of the strap. Cut four holes on each end of strap and sides of bag, spaced on 1" centers x 5" apart, as shown in Fig. 7.

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Diagrams of the six basic bottom rigs used most often for the resident fish of our waters are shown on these two facing pages. Why only six? That's all the room I had for diagrams. There's actually seven—the sliding sinker rig, also known as the Florida rig. But it's simple enough to tie without going into all kinds of critical measurements: thread your main line through the center of an egg sinker of the appropriate weight, then attach the end of the main line to either a Number Five or Number Seven black barrel swivel. (Use bright brass or silver barrel swivels if there are bluefish in the area and you enjoy re-rigging while others are bailing fish around you.) The hook is attached to the opposite end of the

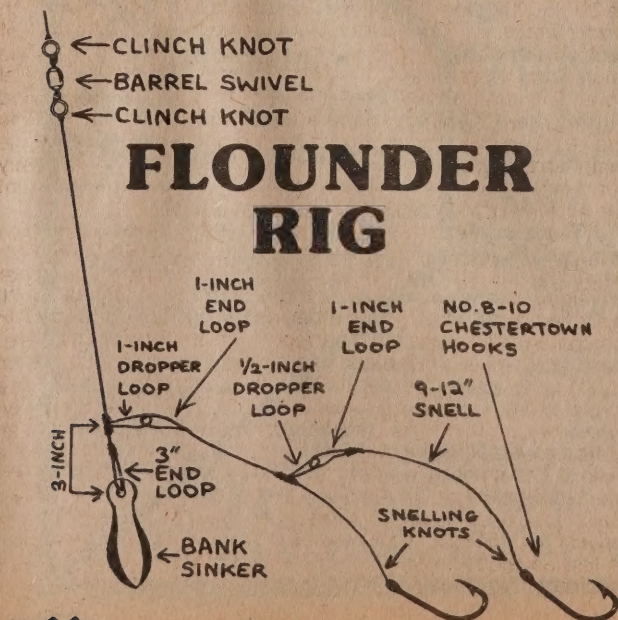


—TYING RIGS—

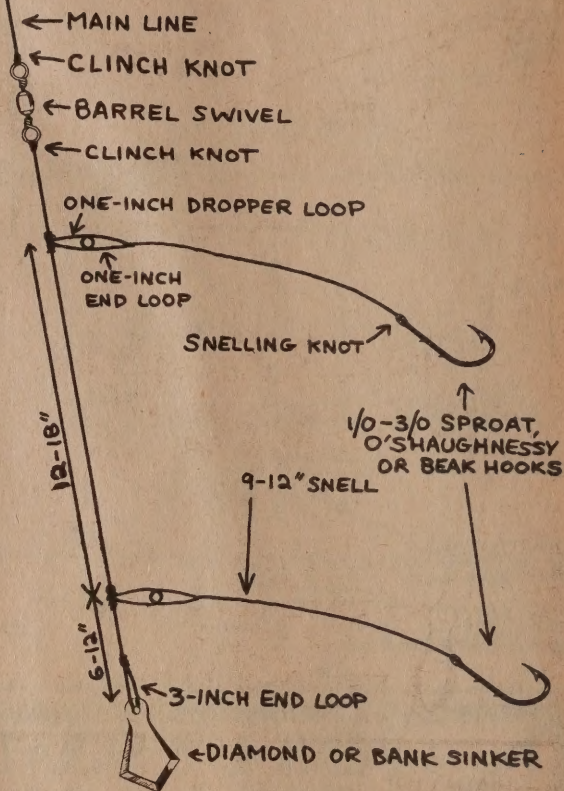
knot has considerably less drag than the end loop, which tends to pick up all kinds of weeds.

The sliding sinker rig is excellent for drifting in shallow bay waters for fluke because it allows the fluke (which are often sensitive to unexpected resistance from things they eat naturally) to pull the line through the center of the egg sinker without feeling its weight, which also gives you a greater sensitivity in detecting a soft pick-up. This rig is also excellent early in the flounder run (walk?) when the fish are lazy and only softly suck on the bait rather than nibble. The only drawbacks to the sliding sinker rig is that it doesn't hold bottom well in the deeper ocean waters and is difficult to cast for any real distance. But if you are "bottom" fishing from a boat, what the hell are you casting for anyway?

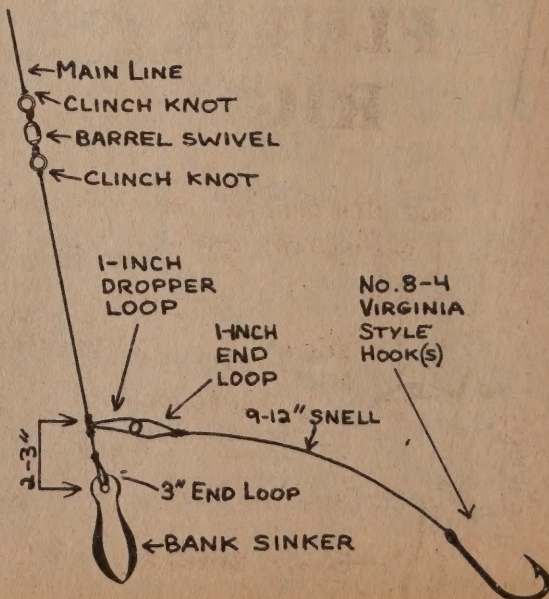
The six rigs that are shown are all basically either the standard one-hook bottom rig or the Hi-low rig—only the hook and/or sinker placement changes. Why? That's the secret of any good bottom rig: a bottom rig's primary function is to deliver your bait to the feeding zone of the fish being caught. Example: the blackfish rig places the hook only three inches above the sinker, which allows the bait to rest on the bottom, because this is the feeding zone of the blackfish. Blackfish are

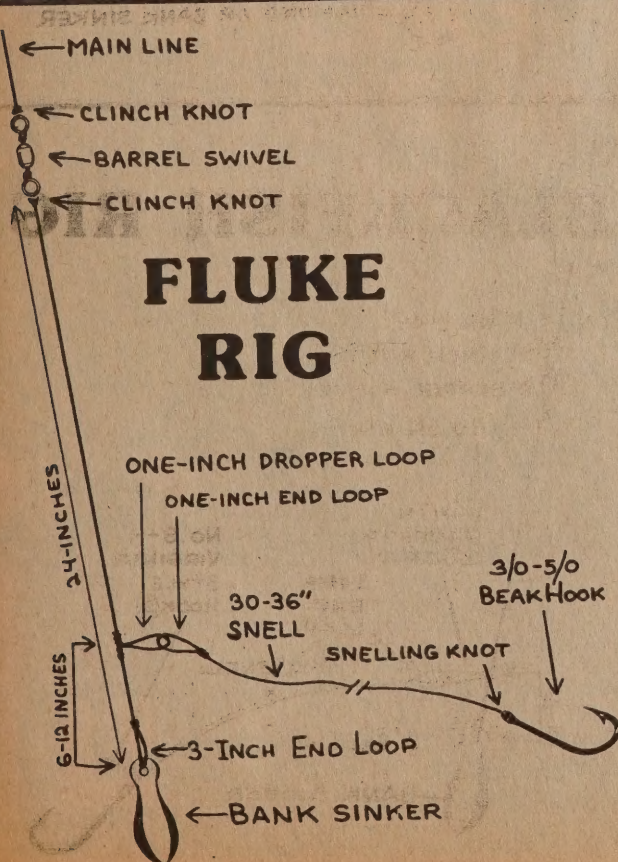
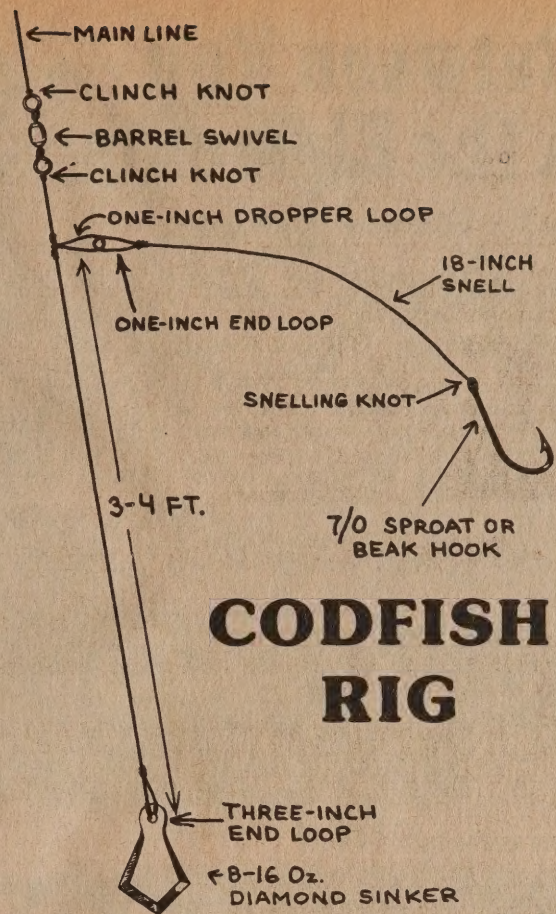
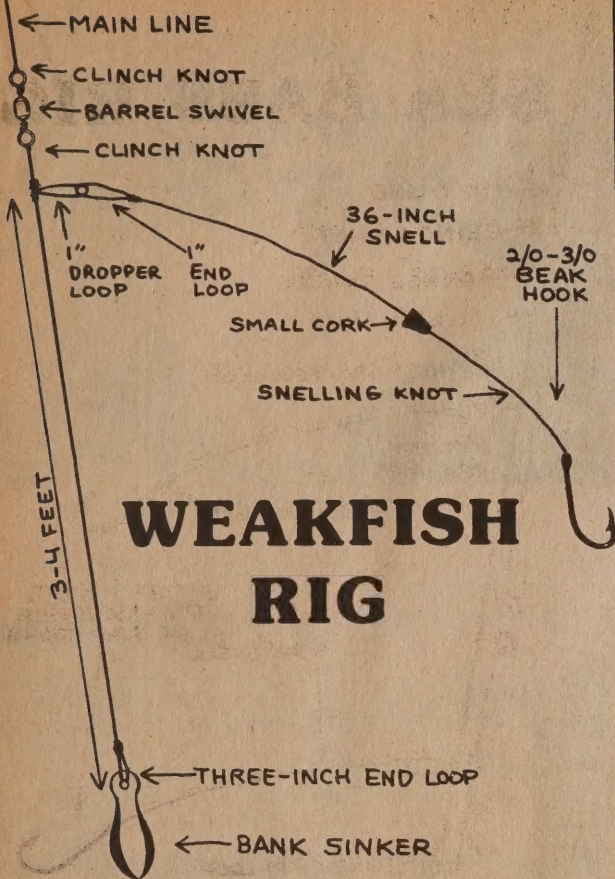


SEA BASS RIG



BLACKFISH RIG





strictly bottom feeders, eating crabs, snails, barnacles, mussels, etc., that they never have to chase three or four feet off the bottom. So if you rigged up in a manner that presented a fiddler or green crab three feet off the bottom, doesn't it seem logical that the blackfish may become a little suspicious? So make sure you tie your rigs with the feeding zone of the fish you're trying to catch uppermost in your mind. An inch or two here and there won't make any difference, but a foot or two can make all the difference in the fishbox.

I have personally found it easiest to tie rigs on an assembly line basis when I have a large amount to tie. Suppose I want to tie 20 rigs: the first thing I do is count out 20 strands of 48-inch leader material. Then I attach a barrel swivel to one end of each strand with an improved clinch knot, but I don't draw the knots snug immediately, I wait until each strand has a swivel on it. This means I don't have to be constantly picking up and putting down the pliers all the time. Then I tie an end loop into the opposite end of each strand for the sinker. Now I have the main leader for almost any type of rig I want to tie. The only chore left is to tie in a dropper loop at the point where I want the hook to branch out.

Tying rigs in advance of use can often create a storage problem. Now that you have a complete rig with hooks and all, what do you do with it? I used to put them in regular envelopes, labeled with the type of rig inside. As you'll discover once you get deeper into rig tying, a certain percentage will come out "perfect": knots all tight and snug, hook and sinker placement exact, etc. Unscrupulous person that I am, I used to mark these rigs by putting an "X" in a circle in the upper right-hand of the envelope. Naturally, whenever a guest or friend aboard needed a rig, he got an X-less envelope while mine all had the magic X. Eventually, a few of the smarter anglers noticed what I was pulling and started demanding envelopes with an X on it for themselves. So I had to open up all the envelopes with X's, put them in new envelopes WITHOUT X's, then PUT new X's on the previously X-less envelopes. As I said, there's a lot more to this rig tying business than meets the eye.

Between You & the Elements

by Dr. William A. Muller

The author and the staff of *The Fisherman* wish to express our gratitude and thanks to *Herman's World of Sporting Goods*, and in particular Mr. Anthony Eario and Mr. Jim Carolan for their assistance in writing this article.

One of the most annoying problems confronting hard-working fishermen is the task of staying warm and dry under adverse weather conditions. The dedicated sportsman is always looking for foul weather gear which is durable, permits flexible mobility, and is relatively inexpensive. Foul weather gear is designed for many purposes, but the requirements of fishermen are often the most demanding.

I won't pretend to offer to you the perfect solution to the problem of your foul weather gear needs, but in this discussion I hope to be able to familiarize you with what is available.

For a number of years my solution was a pull-over poncho made by The Goodyear Rubber Company. It was a good fitting, durable, dry, and inexpensive garment. I bought three of these over a span of about twelve years. The cost remained constant at an unbelievable five dollars until 1974. The garment is no longer available and my top has become brittle and full of holes.

The following list includes the items currently and readily available. There are other choices with other features, but basically they vary little from the items that follow.

CLEAR VINYL UTILITY SUIT

Price:...Top \$2.99; Bottom \$2.99. Sizes: S, M, L, XL.

This garment is inexpensive and appropriate for the weekend angler.

HEAVY VINYL PONCHO

Price: \$1.69. 52" x 80" olive, no pockets, no arm holes, and no snaps.

The item is knee length, very loose fitting and has a hood without a draw string.

PARKA

Price: \$7.99 in rubberized nylon, yellow only, with full front zipper and hood with draw string. Available in sizes S, M, L, and XL.

HELLY—HANSEN

Price:...Boat Top \$31.99. Hood with draw string, snaps on front but no snaps on wrists. In sizes S, M, L, & XL.

Where as most foul weather gear is made in Korea, Helly—Hansen is made in Norway. Expensive but very durable. Appropriate for the hard-fishing boat-man. The garment is heavy.

Pants are also available at about the same price. Pants have a bib and strong straps. Top and pants available in dark green and yellow.

HELLY—HANSEN SURF TOP

Price: \$29.99. Has hood with draw string, close snaps on wrists, draw string front, poncho-style in sizes S, M, L, & XL. This top has no pockets, is lighter than boat top and comes in yellow only.

The yellow color is the only draw-back since most surf fishermen prefer darker tops.

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Top Price: \$9.99. Heavy duty rubberized nylon, draw string on hood and waist, full zipper front, chest pocket with snap, flap over pockets, 2 waist level pockets with snaps, snaps on wrists, double stitched seams available in sizes S, M, L, & XL. Pants Price: \$7.99. Front zipper, draw string waist and 2 slanted flap-over hip pockets.

This is a remarkable garment for the price and is



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designed for use by boat fishermen.

WORLD FAMOUS BRAND

Top Price: \$5.99. Rubberized, full front zipper, snaps on wrists, hood with draw string, flap-over waist-level pockets





HELLY-HANSEN SURF TOP.

available in sizes S, M, L, & XL.

Pants Price: \$5.99. Has bib, strap medium-weight.

This is basically the same item above (\$9.99 & \$7.99). However, construction is not heavy-duty.

WORLD FAMOUS BRAND

Top Price: \$6.99. Rubberized nylon, light weight, hood with draw string, chest level pocket, snaps on wrists and available in sizes S, M, L, & XL.

Pants Price: \$5.99. No Bib and no straps. Instead a draw string waist is provided. Snaps on ankles, 2 waist level flap-over pockets and is a pull on type.

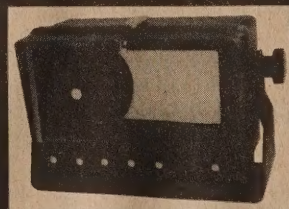


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North Shore Snowshoes

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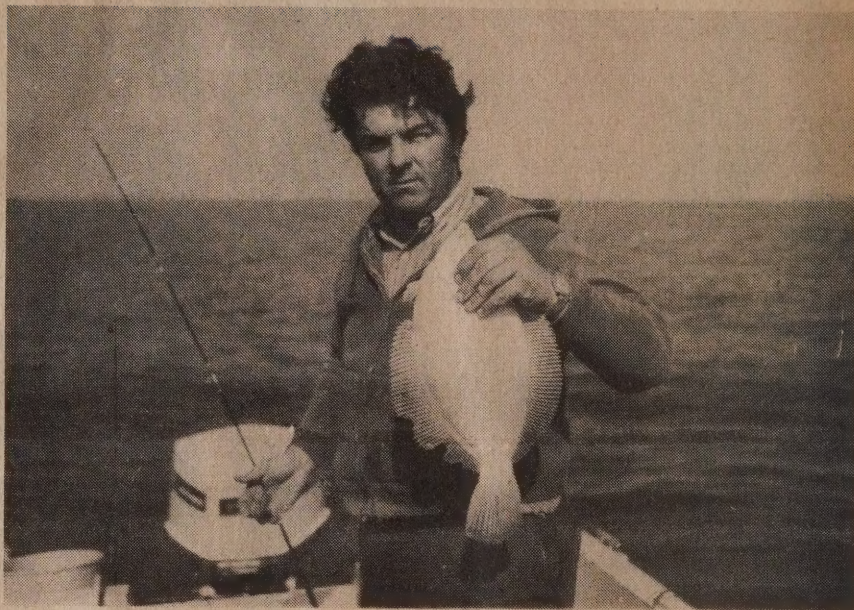
After having travelled much of the Eastern End of Long Island in search of some big flounders, and for the most part coming up pretty dry, I was of the opinion that one had to travel to more northern areas such as Quincy or Chatham, Mass. for good quantities of the big flounders. The few trips that were made to these areas by myself always resulted in large quantities of the big flounders. However, a trip up there really is a two or three day affair, and often quite expensive. What I was looking for was some good local Long Island fishing for those outsize flatfish that go between two and four pounds, which at one time were quite plentiful in Gardiner's Bay.

It came as quite a surprise to me when a fishing companion of mine confided that there were a few spots on the North Shore of Long Island around Smithtown Bay that almost always had a good share of really big flounders around the end of April into the beginning of May. Even in the bad years, I learned, it was common to catch a few dozen big fish without too much difficulty. For whatever reasons, this little bit of information was forgotten for several years. Last spring, however, a few bad trips to Amagansett for a crack at some snowshoes convinced me that the time to look for new grounds was in order.

Armed with this little bit of information, I set out to try this area around the end of the month of April. Fortunately, the day that was chosen was a letter perfect day. The sun was warm, and more importantly, the wind was virtually calm, not even a ripple was seen on the mirror-like surface of the Sound.

Never having fished this area before, finding the area which was given to me several years ago, was no easy task. Since the wind was quite light, drifting seemed to be the best bet until a productive area was found. The whole area looked the same to me, so I picked an area that was relatively smooth and had a hard, but not rocky area. The recorder showed 35 feet of water, which looked as good as any to start out with. Since there were absolutely no other boats in the area, this was strictly a blind drift. Two spinning outfits with two-sinkers were sent out and the waiting game was on.

That first drift lasted an hour, and resulted in 2 big sea robins, so the boat was moved to a smooth piece of bottom a little further west, in about 40 feet of water, and both rods went out again. Some 15 minutes into the drift, the port side rod dipped for just a second and quickly sprang back up. It didn't really look like much, so I was quite surprised when the rod started bouncing in my



Walter Yackel shows 3 pound north shore flounder.



Walter Yackel shows a double header of medium size flounders.

hand. This was certainly no sea robin this time, as a good fish made a couple of surges for the bottom. Gradually the fish came up and a good sized fish loomed a few feet below the surface. A little closer to the top and the fish was flipped into the boat, a risky business with a big flatfish. The fish was a dark red flounder that was a good three pounds in weight.

Usually where you find one fish, there are others, so rather than continue drifting, I anchored the boat right there and went to work on the fish. A chumpot with ground mussels and bunker chum was sent to the bottom and both worm baited rods went to work. Usually snowshoe flounder fishing is no leap, but a steady pick of fish every 10 or 20

minutes, and this was no different. After that first fish, it was a half hour before the next fish. The next hour produced four fish, and before the tide went slack three hours later, a total of 17 fish came into the boat. For a single fisherman, the total count was quite satisfactory, considering the smallest fish was an even two pounds in weight. Rather than move from the area, I sat the entire ebb tide there without taking a single fish. Since I had planned on fishing the same area within the next day or so, the area was marked with a float so that it could be easily found.

A few days of bad weather finally gave way to another beautiful day, so another assault was launched on the fish, except this time another fisherman, Walter Yackel, joined me. Without too much difficulty, the float was found and the boat anchored up. This time, however, we had been unable to find any fresh sandworms and we had to go with fresh mussels for bait. Two chumpots went out this time in an effort to really get the fish going. As it turned out, we really got the fish going except they turned out to be the biggest kind of sea robins imaginable.

Gradually we worked through the sea robins, and found the flounders waiting with hungry eyes. I would have been satisfied with a couple of dozen fish, but after a six-hour day, we wound up with an absolutely unbelievable 64 fish. The smallest fish was an honest two pounds and there were 10 fish over three pounds, with the largest going just four pounds. We had a secret that virtually no other boatmen were aware of. In fact, of the five or six trips made to this area, there wasn't a single other boat anywhere in sight.

The discovery of such good flounder fishing on the North Shore of Long Island was about the only bright spot in an otherwise dismal year concerning the snowshoe flounders. There were occasional good catches of big flatties at the Eastern End, and at Montauk, but the overall picture was very poor. It was very gratifying to see some fairly good numbers

Long Island. The snowshoe flounders are fished for in a manner similar to that of their cousins the bay flounder, except that everything is scaled upward a bit. The key to good floundering up in this area, is finding the right type of bottom at which the fish will feed. While the South Shore bay flounder will prefer a soft, muddy bottom, the North Shore fish are seldom found on anything but a hard, sand bottom. The fish will move around a bit and can be found usually at the 30 or 40 foot level. They are seldom taken around the rocky areas that are quite numerous in the region. For a first time trip to this area, the best thing to do is scout the area a bit. A good paper recorder is a must for this purpose. Scope out a level of water, 35 feet for example, and try long drifts until the fish are located. Keep an eye on the machine for a smooth bottom, any bumps or ridges are best avoided, as they are not the best bottom for the fish. If a long drift over a

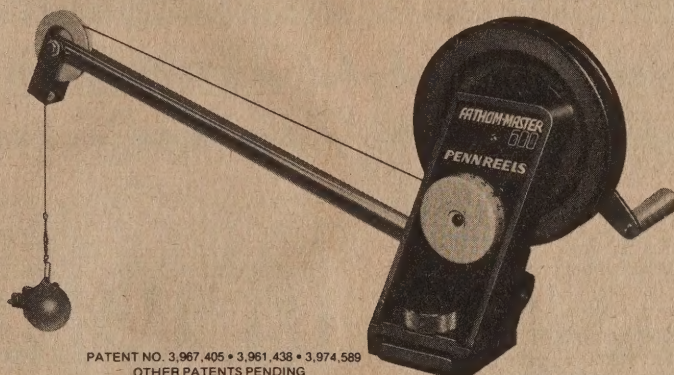
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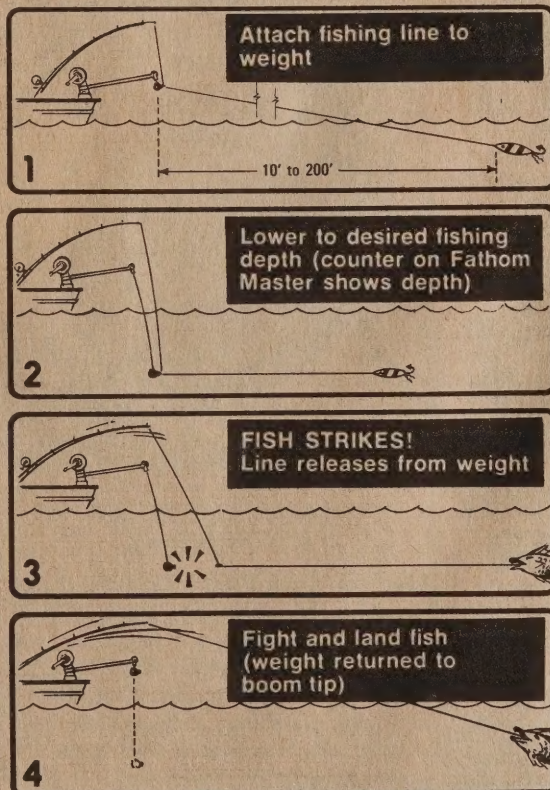
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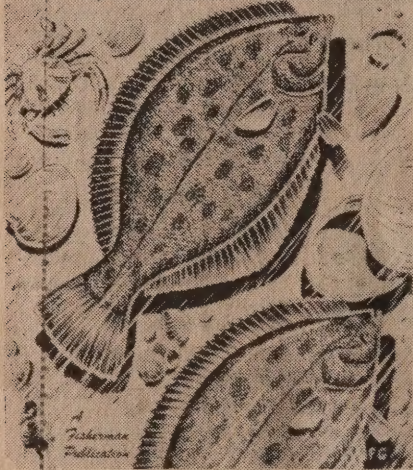
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SOUTH SHORE Fishing Report

MONTAUK

Captain Paul Forsberg of the **Viking Fishing Fleet** reported that the cod action on the **Viking Star** was fair on Saturday and Easter Sunday with an average catch of 4 or 5 fish a man. The cod are averaging 8 to 12 pounds with the pooler usually around the mid 30's. Block Island and Cartwright are both producing equally at this time. The **Viking Starlite** was running special flounder trips during Easter week with excellent results. Montauk Lake is loaded with big flounder.

Chuck at **Lake Montauk Marina** confirmed the great flounder fishing in Lake Montauk. The fish aren't quite snowshoes, but they are very large. Chuck says that the marina now has rental skiffs 16 to 22' in length for anyone that wants to get in on this great flounder fishing.

Last Wednesday some of the crew from the Long Island Fisherman went out on a charter on Captain Dick Vigilant's charterboat **Triton II**. Last Wednesday, you'll remember, was the day that the gale warnings were up, which made for a very exciting trip. Only a few cod were taken on hook and line, but as predicted the set lines cleaned up on big cod. A feature article on the interesting aspects of this commercial fishing method dating back hundreds of years will be forthcoming in a future issue of LIF. In fairness, we aren't going to make any mention whatsoever of the problem that Stu Miller and Doc Muller had keeping their stomach from escaping through their vents.

Captain Larry Rodriquez called and asked us to announce that his charter boat **Tide Runner** is booking for the season and will be sailing out of Star Island Yacht Club.

MORICHES BAY

Skidmore's Fishing Station reports that the flounder fishing is starting to bust loose with fish from 1½ to 2 pounds being taken at the Coast Guard Station and at buoy 42. All fish are caught on worm and chumming is a must.

Capt. Tom of the **Seahorse II** reports that on Saturday and Sunday, the flounder fishing was good on the flats in the Babylon area. Worms are working

the best with the help of mussel chum. The flounder are weighing up to 2 pounds. Ciro Didonna of Copiague had a double-header which totaled 4 lbs. 2 oz.

Andy at **Seatuck Cove Fishing Station** reported that both Friday and Saturday flounder fishing was wiped out due to the high winds, and the station wouldn't let any of their boats out. Easter Sunday was a nice day weatherwise, and all boats returned with average catches of between 25 and 30 fish each. Most of the flounder are around the 1 to 1¼ lb. size and the best spot has been east of buoy 52 in the holes thereof. Bloodworms are best for bait with plenty of mussel chum.

EAST HAMPTON

Three Mile Harbor Fishing Station reports that the flounder fishing remains great and that there are flatties all over the place. On Thursday, Ernie Maass and daughter Loraine of Brooklyn had 61 keepers up to 2½ pounds while braving the wind. They fished the edge of the channel in the harbor the entire ebb. Mussels were the bait along with mussel and corn for chum. On Friday Jock Schuchardt and son Jeff of Yorktown Heights took 104 flounder up to 2½ pounds on the ebb, same baits.

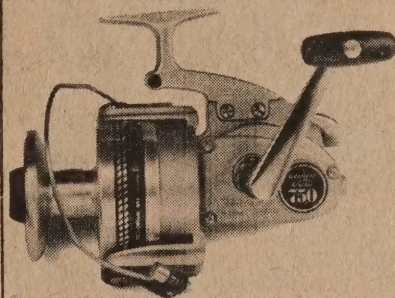
SHINNECOCK

Captain Clark Bellows of the **Captain Clark Fleet** reported that flounder fishing was up and down all week long due to the high winds. On Monday the catch was excellent with 11 anglers averaging 18 to 20 fish per man. The action on Sat. and Sunday was pretty good with 8 to 12 fish per man. Many of the flounder in Saturday's catch were 1½ pounds and better. Best area remains around Jamesport, Indian Point and Flanders Bay over the hard bottom that has a large population of quarter-decks—the greatest bait around for flounder.

HAMPTON BAYS

Skipper's Fishing Station reports that Thursday's flounder action was good at Greenlawn, with fish up to 1¼ pounds taken on mussel with chumming a must. Incoming tide was the best, slowing at the slack and picking up with the start of the ebb. Numbers are picking up steadily. Friday and Saturday was a bust due to the wind. On Sunday good scores were attained, around 30 per boat as wind velocities decreased. There were a lot of smaller fish. Mike advises that you call him in advance so that he can order chum for you. The first weakfish was taken off his dock on a bottom fished sandworm by a dock fisherman. The fish

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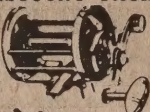
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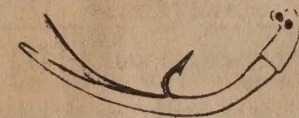
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MASTIC BEACH

Gary at Stiriz's Fishing Station says that action was a little on the slow side due to the low temperatures and high winds but those that went out found fish at buoys 9, 10 and 11 and also at buoy 19. Catches were fairly good on worm, mussel and clam baits with lots of chum or stirring up the bottom. The first couple of hours of incoming has been best. Herring has moved into the bay and are taking small, shiny lures. Best is on the top of the high.

WEST SAYVILLE

Dennis at South Bay Fishing Station reports flounder catches are fair for those that got out, fish running from 1 to 1 3/4 pounds on bloodworms with green mussels for chum. Anglers are also successfully employing red dyed squid tentacles for bait. Best areas are Greenpoint, W/N/W of buoy 29 and the 16 ft. hole at Heckscher. Be sure to stir up the bottom or chum heavily.

CAPTREE

Captain George Tweedy of the Captain Scotty said that the flounder fishing showed a little improvement during the week with some catches of 20 to 25 per man being taken. The size is still excellent with most of the fish around 1 1/2 to 2 pounds, and 4 fish on Saturday weighed close to 3 pounds. The fishing on Sunday was down. Best area seems to be on the edge of the deep water along Ocean Beach and Point Of Woods. Action around the Heckscher area has been poor.

Captain Rod Westerlund of the Captain Rod reported that the flounder fishing on Saturday was good but the

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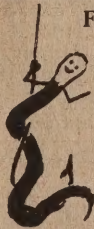
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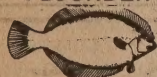
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action was slow and picky on Sunday. Fish are good size and the best area seems to be around Ocean Beach. Both bloodworm and clam are being used for bait with clams getting the edge. As usual, the action is hottest around the change of tide. The Captain noted that with all the high winds we've been having, there is probably plenty of food for the flounder to feed on spread all over the bottom.

Captain Neil Delaney of the charter-boat Lady Ann called to say that the flounder fishing has gradually been improving. On Saturday the action was fair, with 24 members of the Fresh Pond

Fishing Club accounting for 131 flounder. Neil said that they are starting to see some "small" fish in the 3 lb. range mixed in with the big ones, which give hope that a body of smaller fish moving in and the quantity of catches may improve.

Captain Speedy Hubert of the Speedy VI told us that he is going to make special Tilefishing Trip leaving from Captree at Midnight on Friday night April 15th, returning Saturday around 6:30 in the eve. Anglers aboard will have a solid 5 or 6 hours of tilefishing in Hudson Canyon, and depending on the response the captain said he may run as many as 2 tilefishing trips a week sometime in the future. The trip is limited to 50 anglers and the fare is \$45 head. A deposit is required, so call 516-661-1652 to make your reservations.

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Smokey's Bait and Tackle tells us that the best catches now are being made at the Heckscher Flats and in the deep holes of Snake Hill Channel. Sailors Haven is also producing fish on the flats with incoming working best, bloodworms and you've got to chum. Another hot spot is the first stake outside the Ellis Marina. You've got to wait them out and chum heavily. The first few weeks should produce loads of fish. Hint: Try the Quogue Canal NOW! Very good catches are being made there.

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BABYLON

Charlie's Fishing Station reports good flounder action when the boats get out. Fish are being taken up and down the East/West Channel, off Bergen Flats. Bloodworms are the bait and chumming is very important. Some good weather will produce heavy catches. How Miller, who keeps his boat at Charlie's, was out on Sunday and took a good meal of flatties on worms and mussel chum just off Bergen Pt.

Babylon Fishing Station reports that those who defied the wind were properly rewarded with flounder. Joe Sheffer took 85 flounder on Saturday fishing between buoy 7 and the southwest corner of the bridge. Joe employed 2 anchors, thus keeping the boat steady and in one spot while he fished and chummed heavily. Another boat in the same area fishing with double anchors took 30 flounder. Bill also tells us that he heard from Mario of Hi-Hook Fishing Station that one boat took 100 flounder from Snake Hill Channel on Sunday.

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COPIAGUE

Jona's Bait and Tackle informs us that flounders are still being caught at the Amityville Cut, Unqua Pt. and Squaw Island on bloodworms and clam using plenty of clam or mussel chum. All moving water is working.

AMITYVILLE

George Combs Bait and Tackle says that the best spots for flounder now are West Island, Fort Neck Pt., Brick House Cove and the mouth of Seaford Creek. You've got to work hard and chum heavy says George, with the top of the tide and the first of the ebb producing best. George has heard of some small bass to the west, but no details available. George says that if you can try an offshore run now, you should hit schools of mackerel with a little searching.

SEAFORD

Lon Wanser Bait and Tackle reports that the flounder fishing is best in Massapequa Cove, Four Corners and West Island. On Thursday one angler brought in '37 fat flounder up to 1 1/2 pounds taken off the Massapequa shoreline on bloodworms and mussel chum. Best action was an hour on each side of the high.

Captain Eddie's Fishing Station tells us that good catches are being made at Four Corners and along the Massapequa shoreline with bloodworms and mussel chum. Eddie tells us that some boats are getting no fish while others are getting from 30 to 60 flounder.

MERRICK

Jimmy at Nick's Fishing Station reports that Bill Egart and son Adam along with Leon Mason fished at the junction of Broad and Ned's Creek with a healthy catch of 58 fat flounder up to 1 1/2 pounds. This was on incoming water with mussel bait along with mussel and clam chum. Another skiff fishing the same ground had 25 keeper flounder.

BALDWIN

Andy at Arthur St. Fishing Station tells us that the flounder fishing was good over the weekend as evidenced by the haul of flounder put on the dock by Ed Smith who took out one of the rental skiffs and fished Baldwin Bay with bloodworms and mussel chum. Other good catches were made in Baldwin and Middle Bay.

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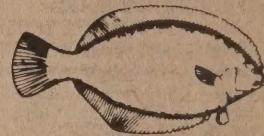
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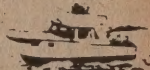
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Fishing Report

FREEPORT

The Captain Al reports that hi-hook for Sunday was Westbury angler Roosevelt Rogiri with 32 flounder and all biggies. Al says there is a definite improvement in the fishing now as evidenced by Sunday's catch from local waters.

Blue Fin II called to say that the Garden City Men's Club family outing took place on Sunday. Captain Sy fished locally and east of the Wantagh Bridge, permitting Gloria Saul of Mineola to be hi-hook and pool winner with a 1 1/2 lb. flounder. Chumming is a must and bloodworms are working best. 65 fat flounder were boated on Sunday. Sy asked us to tell you that Captain Warren Clyne, formerly night captain of the Angler II, will be running his night blue trips on the Blue Fin II.

Frank's Fishing Station tells us that Roy Carpenter had 27 flounders up to 1 1/2 pounds on Saturday fishing behind Merrick with worms and mussels for chum.

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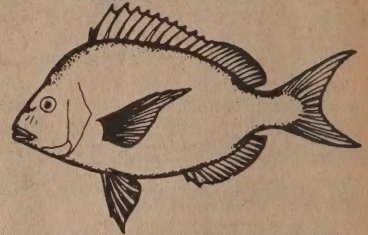


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reports good flounder activity in Baldwin Bay, Swift Creek, Long Creek and Middle Bay, the fish being big size and gobbling bloodworms laced with the scent of mussel and clam chum.

Dockmaster Bob Kay of the **Freeport Boatman's Ass'n** tells us that the **Acme II** had 30 fat flounder on Friday for a party fishing Swift Creek at the top of the flood.

Capt. Richie of the **Starstream II** reports he had great whiting fishing over the weekend, but the crowds were light. On Saturday, whiting were being taken by the bags, up to 4 pounds. On Sunday, the fishing slowed but was still excellent. The Captain is fishing about one hour from the dock at the edge of the Mudhole.

The **Aloma II** reports that on Saturday the fares were light and, because of the cold, the flounder fishing is slow. The flounder that are being caught are weighing from 3/4 to 2 pounds on clams.

ISLAND PARK

The **Commodore** reports that on Friday the wind made fishing tough. On Saturday, flounder were being taken at the old oyster beds, Duck Point, and Harts Channel. The flounder being taken are averaging about 1 pound but are being taken up to 2 pounds. The captain said that the fish are being very picky because of the cold water and if baits aren't put on right, chances of catching are poor.

POINT LOOKOUT

Ed's Fishing Station reports that over the weekend, Gil Bruskie, Leonard Jaclin and his son of Brooklyn had 51 flounder up to 1½ pounds. The fish were taken in Reynolds Channel near the Loop Parkway Bridge on worms and mussel chum. Buoys 16 and 18 in Reynolds Channel are producing flounder when the wind is not blowing.

JAMAICA BAY

Cross Bay Bait and Tackle reports that flounder are being taken at the North and South Channel Bridges up to 2 pounds on worms, mussels and clam.

SHEEPSHEAD BAY

The **New Eagle** reports excellent catches of big whiting at the Mud Hole area near the BA buoy. On Saturday he had over 5000 jumbo whiting for his fares.

The **Blue Sea II** reports super catches of whiting up to 3½ pounds from the Ambrose Tower to the BA buoy. His fares are filling from a 5 gal. can to a burlap bag with big whiting.

The **Dorothy B** reports that flounder fishing over the weekend wasn't good but wasn't bad either. The flounder are under the mud because of the cold. The flounder being caught are weighing up to 2 pounds. The captain said he is fishing in Jamaica Bay up in the wetlands where it is very clean and very good for family flounder fishing.

NORTH SHORE Fishing Report

ORIENT POINT

Port of Egypt reported a few boats out last week in spite of the cold and windy weather. Last Friday one boat came in with 14 nice flats. Five of these fish were taken off the oyster factory in Greenport. That's a spot that usually produces this time of year. The rest of the fish, which weighed up to 1¾ pounds were taken off Marion. Another boat fished up in Town Creek last week because that was the only place that was out of the crazy wind. The boat took 28 fish, all keepers to one pound. There are also fish in Coecles and Doering Harbors but the wind has been keeping people away. That's the main problem. The fish are there ready and waiting but nobody wants to go fishing in this weather we've been having.

GREENPORT

A.P. White Bait Shop reported a lot of flounders taken in Coecles Harbor. One of the best spots was right after you went into the harbor. Look for other boats. The "Striper" had a party of 7 with a

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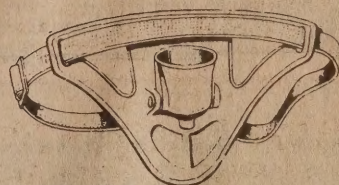
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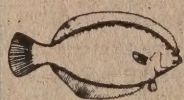
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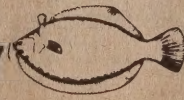
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SELDEN

Ken at **Angler's Den** said flounders were taken most everywhere last week by fellows willing to stay out in the wind and cold. The best move was to find where the biggest fish were at. The Hamptons was the best producer of bigger fish. Buoy 52 was the hotspot. Some big fish were taken in Mt. Sinai Harbor but not in any quantity. The leader in the store's monthly derby is a 2 pounder caught by Danny Diamond. The power plant is still worth a few small bass on a weekly basis. The usual small lures are taking the fish. Blackfish are just around the corner and if the cruddy weather ever goes away we might have a good flounder season on our hands.

Angler's Den called to tell us that they have started their second annual Fishing Contest for flounders, blacks, weaks, fluke, stripers, and bluefish. The contest is running now through November 30th. It is a monthly contest with merchandise prizes. Call them and ask for details.

PORT JEFFERSON

Captain John of the **Betty W** who is doing flounder fishing right now, asked us to let you know that the **Betty W** will not run as an open boat on weekends until further notice. However she will sail open on weekdays.

Carafits Fishing Station reports excellent flounder fishing in the narrows and Conscience Bay. One out of every five fish taken are weighing from 1½ to 2 pounds. Flounder are also being taken at the entrance to Setauket Harbor on worms and mussel chum.

NORTHPORT

Bowman's Sporting Goods reports good flounder fishing inside the harbor at Honeyman's Point about 100 feet out. Worms are the bait and clams or mussels can be used for chum. The flounder are averaging 1¼ pounds but are being caught up to 2 pounds. Scudder Beach is producing at the head of the harbor on the incoming tide. Sand City is also producing on the harbor side. Stripers are being taken at the Lilco outflow from 3-5 pounds on ½ oz. white bucktails on the incoming tide.

HUNTINGTON

Ronnie's Bait and Tackle reports good flounder fishing at Lloyd Harbor, Duck Harbor, Crescent Beach, Callahans Macamah Beach and the right side of Huntington Inlet with these fish being taken on sandworms and mussel chum.

GLEN COVE

Glen Cove Sports reports good flounder fishing at any muddy area. Flounder are being taken at Tappan Beach and Ryple Beach on worms and mussel and corn chum. The fish are weighing from 1 to 1 1/4 pounds and remember to put the small ones back.

KINGS PARK

Bob at Mae's Way Fishing Station reported that the flounder action was slow on the windy weekend. Some good catches of flounder were made, however, Sunday afternoon by bank fishermen on the Nissequogue River.

CITY ISLAND

Jack's Bait and Tackle reported some flounder activity over in Turtle Cove and the lagoon. No great numbers of fish were taken due to the poor weather. One customer said he got two keeper bass fishing in Turtle Cove from the shore last Friday. We understand quite a few people were fishing for bass in this spot so somebody must be doing something. The City Island boats are getting fair mounts of flounders. About a dozen or so per man is average.



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North Shore Snowshoes

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certain depth of water isn't productive, move the boat either offshore or inshore a bit. It's long and boring, but something that must be done in order to find the fish. The only bad thing about this approach, is that it must be done on a windless day. You want the boat to be gently carried by the current so that the baits don't go flying around the bottom. Too fast a drift will result in little, if any, action at all. If it is too windy, you're better off picking a blind spot with the machine and anchoring up and chumming heavily.

You can get away using spinning tackle in this area, or you can go to a very light bait casting outfit for maximum enjoyment of the fish. The tide in this area isn't too swift, but is a bit more than the light current in the bays. There are times when four or five ounces of lead are needed, and spinning tackle won't accommodate such a load; you have to adjust the tackles to the existing conditions of the area.

Although these fish are pretty large, they still have pretty small mouths. The largest hook that should be used on these fish is a #6 Chestertown or O'Shaugnessey long shank. This hook will handle the largest flounder that swims and will allow for easy hooking of the fish. They can be tied the same way as they are for the smaller flounders; one hook is tied midway to the leader of the other hook. These hooks are then attached to the line by means of a three-way swivel tied a couple of inches above the sinker. Don't put the hooks more than six inches above the sinker though. Whatever weight necessary to keep the rig on the bottom, is the weight that must be used.

The bait department is where there is the biggest variation in the fishing from their South Shore brethren occurs. While fresh mussels or bloodworms are the ticket for the fish down south, the prescribed bait for the North Shore fish are long, juicy chunks of sandworms. Fresh mussels will work well on these also, but my personal preference is a four inch piece of sandworm.

One thing that is a must for any results to speak of, is heavy chumming. These fish are not bunched up, but are spread over a large area of water. The only way to get these fish in striking distance of the boat is to keep a steady flow of chum going and having a bit of patience. If possible, try to get a couple of chum pots going so that the area is completely seeded with chum. Ground up or crushed mussels mixed with bunker chum, and then put into pound or two pound coffee cans and frozen, are about the best you can do. A can of the frozen chum is put into the pot and used as needed.

A very essential item in this type of fishing, whether you're an optimist or not, is a landing net. There is no quicker way to draw laughs from your fellow fishermen than by bringing a landing net when flounder fishing. There is no quicker way to make your fellow fishermen green than by dumping a load

of two or three founders in front of him. You don't have to net all the fish, just the big ones. I honestly believe there are some five pound flounders in this area, not many, but a few.

The waters around Smithtown Bay are accessible to the trailer boatman from either Port Jefferson Harbor, or by Eatons Neck or Huntington Harbor. All of these areas have launch ramps open to the public before Memorial Day, which is when you'll be fishing this area anyway.

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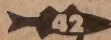
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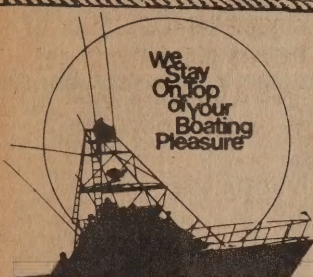
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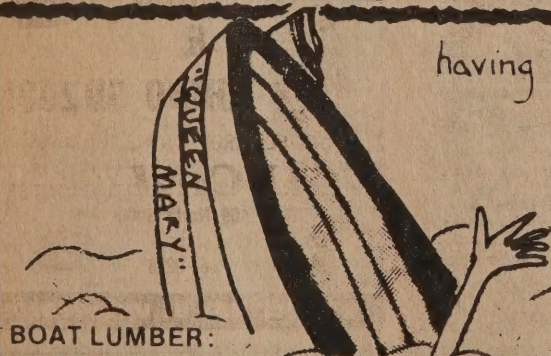
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DAY	SANDY HOOK		Breakwater Harbor		NEW YORK		NEW LONDON		WILLETS POINT		BRIDGE-PORT		NEW-PORT		DATE
	AM	PM	AM	PM	AM	PM	AM	PM	AM	PM	AM	PM	AM	PM	
THUR.	4:44	5:15	5:38	6:07	5:23	5:53	6:30	6:54	8:56	9:20	8:13	8:37	4:32	4:58	4/14
FRI.	5:36	6:00	6:28	6:52	6:14	6:38	7:21	7:36	9:46	10:06	9:04	9:24	5:21	5:43	4/15
SAT.	6:21	6:40	7:13	7:32	7:00	7:20	8:01	8:13	10:30	10:46	9:49	10:05	6:07	6:25	4/16
SUN.	7:10	7:16	7:52	8:10	7:40	7:58	8:40	8:52	11:10	11:20	10:31	10:45	6:49	7:07	4/17
MON.	7:38	7:53	8:33	8:46	8:21	8:35	9:17	9:29	11:43	11:47	11:10	11:23	7:29	7:46	4/18
TUE.	8:16	8:27	9:08	9:21	8:58	9:12	9:54	10:06	—	12:08	11:49	—	8:09	8:26	4/19
WED.	8:53	9:02	9:44	9:56	9:39	9:49	10:31	10:42	12:00	12:20	12:01	12:27	8:49	9:06	4/20
THUR.	9:31	9:36	10:20	10:33	10:91	10:24	11:11	11:20	12:23	12:45	12:38	1:06	9:29	9:45	4/21

HOW TO USE TIDE TABLES:

To compute the high tide for the area you wish to fish, simply find the closest area on the conversion tables. Add or subtract the hours and minutes as indicated from that area station above. Example: "Shinnecock Inlet.....-0 50" is listed under "On SANDY HOOK." -0 50 means you subtract 50 minutes from the times given for the SANDY HOOK STATION for the day you are going fishing. This is the approximate time for the high tide in the area. For low tide, add 6 1/2 hours to this figure.

On SANDY HOOK

STATEN ISLAND	+ 0 27
ATLANTIC HIGHLANDS	- 0 01
Red Bank, Navesink R.I.	+ 0 48
Long Branch	- 0 34
SHARK RIVER INLET	- 0 18
Shark River Basin	+ 0 27
MANASQUAN INLET	- 0 12
Seaside Park	- 0 33
Matoloking Bridge	+ 5 34
TOMS RIVER	+ 4 37
Waretown	+ 2 33
BARNEGAT LIGHT	- 0 20
Manahawkin Bridge	+ 2 33
Beach Haven	+ 1 47
LITTLE EGG INLET	- 0 01
Seven Islands	+ 0 12
Graveling Point	+ 1 05
Mullica River	+ 1 55
Grassy Bay	+ 1 08
ABSECON INLET	+ 0 14
Atlantic City Pier	- 0 26
Gt. Egg Harbor Inlet	+ 0 12
GREAT EGG HARBOR	+ 0 46
CORSON INLET	+ 0 09
TOWNSEND INLET	+ 0 06
HEREFORD INLET	+ 0 02
Grassy Sound Bridge	+ 0 45
Cape May Harbor	- 0 02
Rehoboth Beach	- 0 07
INDIAN RIVER INLET	+ 0 14
SHINNECOCK INLET	- 0 50
Shinnecock Bay	+ 1 25
East Quogue	+ 2 45
Shinnecock Canal	+ 1 18
Indian Reservation	+ 3 05
MORICHES INLET	- 0 56
Smith's Point	+ 3 28
Harts Cove	+ 1 30
Potunck Point	+ 3 35
Mastic Beach	+ 3 28
FIRE ISLAND INLET	- 0 38
Democrat Point	- 0 38
Coast Guard Station	- 0 19
Fire Island Light	+ 0 47
GREAT SOUTH BAY	
Sayville	+ 3 39
Heckscher State Pk.	+ 3 20
Bay Shore	+ 2 23
Babylon	+ 2 12
Amityville	+ 2 21
JONES INLET	- 0 19
Zachs Bay	+ 1 25
Seaford Harbor	+ 2 05
Freeport Creek	+ 0 34
E. ROCKAWAY INLET	- 0 06
Long Beach Bridge	+ 0 19
ROCKAWAY INLET	- 0 00
Beach Ch. Bridge	+ 0 38
JFK Airport	+ 0 26

On BRIDGEPORT

Lloyd Point	+ 0 08
Cold Spring Harbor	+ 0 08
Bayville Bridge	+ 0 13
Eatons Neck Point	+ 0 03
Northport Bay	+ 0 03
Norwalk Islands	+ 0 10
Smithtown Bay	- 0 03
Cranes Neck Point	+ 0 05
Port Jefferson Harbor	+ 0 03
New Haven Harbor	+ 0 08
Mount Sinai Harbor	- 0 08
Herod Point	- 0 07
Mattituck Inlet	+ 0 19
Horton Point	- 0 20
Truman Beach	- 0 42
Falkner Island	- 0 13
Sachem Head	- 0 10
Branford Harbor	- 0 07
New Haven Harbor	- 0 08
Milford Harbor	- 0 07
Stratford	+ 0 27
Shelton	+ 1 36
Black Rock Harbor	- 0 03
Saugatuck River	- 0 01
South Norwalk	+ 0 10
Greens Ledge	- 0 01
Stamford	+ 0 04
Cos Cob Harbor	+ 0 06
Greenwich	+ 0 02

On NEW LONDON

Orient Point	+ 0 27
Little Gull Is. (Race)	+ 0 12
Greenport	+ 1 04
Southold	+ 1 43
New Suffolk	+ 2 26
South Jamesport	+ 2 32
Shinnecock Canal	+ 2 33
Noyack Bay	+ 2 05
Sag Harbor	+ 0 59
Gardiners Bay	+ 0 21
Promised Land	- 0 14
Montauk Inlet	- 0 25
Montauk Point	- 1 13
Niantic	+ 1 20
Stonington	- 0 33
Noank, Mystic River	- 0 23
THAMES RIVER	
Smith Cove	- 0 01
Norwich	+ 0 09
CONNECTICUT RIVER	
Saybrook jetty	+ 1 10
Lyme	+ 1 24
Essex	+ 1 38
East Haddam	+ 2 41
Higginum Creek	+ 2 54

On WILLETS PT.

Little Neck Bay	- 0 10
Execution Light	- 0 06
Manhasset Bay	- 0 01
Hempstead Harbor	- 0 11
City Island	- 0 03
Rye Beach	- 0 28
Port Chester	- 0 09
Mamaroneck	- 0 08
New Rochelle	- 0 24
David's Island	- 0 02

On B'WATER HB.

CAPE MAY POINT	- 0 10
Miami Beach	+ 1 17
East Point	+ 0 53
Egg Island Point	+ 0 33
Cape Henlopen	- 0 05
ROOSEVELT INLET	+ 0 09
Mispillion River Ent.	+ 0 33
St. Jones River Ent.	+ 0 57

On NEW YORK

Jersey City	+ 0 07
Geo. Washington Br.	+ 0 46
Spyten Duyvil	+ 0 58
Ossining	+ 1 53
Peekskill	+ 2 24
West Point	+ 3 16
Newburg	+ 3 42

On NEWPORT

Sakonnet	- 0 10
Tiverton	+ 0 21
Beavertail Point	- 0 02
Prudence Is., Sandy Pt.	+ 0 10
Bristol	+ 0 10
Warren	+ 0 21
Nayatt Point	+ 0 12
Pawtucket	+ 0 21
East Greenwich	+ 0 16
Wickford	+ 0 12
Narragansett Pier	- 0 08
Point Judith Harbor	- 0 07
BLOCK ISLAND	
Great Salt Pond	+ 0 05
Old Harbor	- 0 14
Watch Hill Point	+ 0 44

SUNRISE/SUNSET

4/1	5:43	6:25
4/6	5:35	6:31
4/11	5:27	6:36
4/16	5:19	6:42
4/21	5:11	6:48
4/26	5:03	6:53

PHASES OF THE MOON

NEW	1st Qtr.	FULL	2nd Qtr.
			
4/18	4/26	4/4	4/10



The schedule of solunar periods for the following week as printed below has been taken from the original Knight Solunar Tables. Plan your day so that you will be fishing good areas during these times when the fish should be most active. The tables are not a guarantee you will catch fish, however.

The major periods begin at the time shown and last for an hour-and-a-half or two hours thereafter, and are in the bold type face. The minor periods are shorter in duration and lighter type.

	AM		PM	
	Minor	Major	Minor	Major
THURS.	1:15	7:50	1:45	8:10
FRI.	2:00	8:30	2:25	8:50
SAT.	2:40	9:10	3:05	9:35
SUN.	3:20	9:50	3:45	10:15
MON.	4:00	10:30	4:30	10:55
TUES.	4:40	11:20	5:10	11:45
WED.	5:30	—	6:00	12:15
THURS.	6:30	12:35	6:45	1:00

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